



State of California  
Department of Fish and Game  
Ocean Salmon Project - Marine Region



## 2006 Ocean Salmon Sport Regulations

(Effective May 15, 2006 assuming the Office of Administrative Law has approved the regulations)

### Humbug Mtn (OR) to Horse Mountain:

- ♦ May 15 – July 4; September 1-6  
minimum size limit: 24 inches (total length)  
Klamath Control Zone closed in August  
(12 mile square centered on Klamath River mouth)

### Horse Mountain to Point Arena:

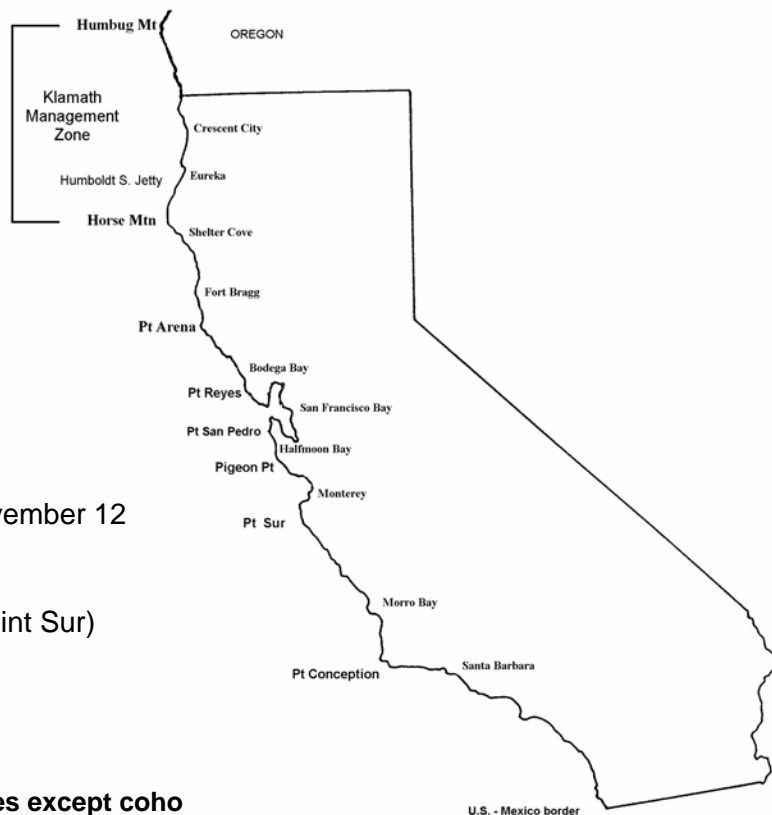
- ♦ February 18 – May 31;  
June 1-4; 7-11; 14-18; 21-25; 28-30;  
July 1-9; 15-16; 22-23; July 26 – November 12

### Point Arena to Pigeon Point:

- ♦ April 1-30 (inside 3 miles)  
May 1 – June 11; June 14 – July 9; July 12 – November 12

### Pigeon Point to U.S.-Mexico Border:

- ♦ April 1-30 (inside 3 miles from Pigeon Point to Point Sur)  
May 1 – September 24



### General Sport Regulations

- **Daily bag/possession limit: 2 salmon of any species except coho**
- No retention of Coho Salmon or steelhead trout in any ocean recreational fishery
- Minimum size limit 20 inches (total length) south of Horse Mountain
- **Salmon may only be taken by angling as defined in Section 1.05.** No sinkers or weights exceeding 4 lbs may be used, except that a fishing line may be attached to a sinker or weight of any size if such sinker or weight is suspended by a separate line & the fishing line is released automatically by a mechanical device from the sinker or weight when any fish is hooked.
- **Ocean Boat Limits:** Each angler aboard a vessel may continue to fish until the boat limit (combined daily bag limits of all anglers) has been attained. Once the vessel reaches shore, individual daily bag limits will apply. Charter boat operator(s) and crew members may not take fish that apply towards the boat limit of their passengers, but they may take fish for their individual bag limits provided their fish are kept separate from the passenger's fish.
- **North of Pt. Conception:** No more than 2 single-point, single-shank barbless hooks shall be used & no more than 1 rod per angler when fishing for salmon or fishing from a boat or floating device with salmon on board.
- **Horse Mt. to Pt. Conception:** If fishing with bait and angling by any other means than TROLLING<sup>1</sup>, no more than two (2) single-point, single-shank barbless circle hooks<sup>2</sup> shall be used. The distance between the two hooks must not exceed five (5) inches when measured from the top of the eye of the top hook to the inner base of the curve of the lower hook and both hooks must be permanently tied in place (hard tied).

**NOTE:** These special gear restrictions apply to each angler fishing for salmon or fishing from any boat or floating device with salmon on board.

1. **TROLLING** is defined as angling from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions.
2. A **CIRCLE HOOK** is defined as a hook with a generally circular shape and a point which turns inwards, pointing directly to the shank at a 90-degree angle.

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